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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the subject application is a Response to Restriction (1 page).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees required for the above-identified application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 05-0460.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION

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Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action dated January 11, 2005, Applicants elect without traverse Group II to which claims 17-23, 51-56 and 57-62 are presently drawn.

In addition, Applicants expressly reserve the right to file continuation or divisional applications on the non-elected claims. Applicants hereby petition for any extension of time which may be necessary to maintain the pendency of this application, and any fee for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 04-0560.

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